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Filed : October 29, 2003
For : STAGGERED RIBS ON PROCESS
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Examiner : Jeffrie Robert Lund

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the Issue Fee for the above-identified application:

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COMMENTS ON REASON FOR NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Supplemental Notice of Allowance mailed May 12, 2006, Applicant respectfully notes the following. The Examiner's amendments have not been made to narrow the scope of the claims. Rather, the amendments have been made to relate the positioning of the ribs to the central axis instead of using the terms that have been deleted from the claims. Applicant also notes that while the Examiner has noted some of the novel and nonobvious aspects of the invention, additional aspects can be found in the entirety of each of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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